## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

concerning

ADOPTION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (RENEWAL OF NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0078948) AND CONSIDERATION OF TIME SCHEDULE ORDER

for

## CITY OF TURLOCK WATER QUALITY CONTROL FACILITY STANISLAUS COUNTY

The City of Turlock (Discharger) owns and operates a municipal tertiary wastewater treatment facility. The Discharger provides sewerage service for the City of Turlock and the community service districts of Keyes and Denair, and receives primary treated effluent from the City of Ceres. The Facility serves a population of approximately 78,000 people and 10 significant industrial users (SIUs). The Discharger currently discharges to Harding Drain, but is planning to construct a dedicated pipeline to transport and discharge treated wastewater from the Facility directly to the San Joaquin River.

The Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider renewal of the Discharger's existing National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit (Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) Order No. 5-01-122) and adoption of a Time Schedule Order (TSO). A tentative NPDES permit and TSO were issued for public comment on 13 August 2009. In response to comments received on the 13 August 2009 tentative permit, the Central Valley Water Board has prepared a revised tentative NPDES permit and TSO for public review and comment. Written comments and evidence on the revised tentative orders must be limited to the scope of the proposed revisions identified in "underline/strike-out" text in the tentative NPDES permit and TSO.

The proposed permit renewal includes new effluent limitations for copper, lead, silver, chloride, selenium, carbon tetrachloride, chlorodibromomethane, dichlorobromomethane, aluminum, ammonia, nitrate, electrical conductivity, boron, aluminum, iron, and manganese. The existing regulated flow of up to 20 MGD remains unchanged.

A public hearing concerning the tentative Orders will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE:

27/28/29 January 2010

TIME:

8:30 a.m.

PLACE:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- City of Turlock Representatives
- California Sportfishing Protection Alliance

Only designated parties will have the following rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons

and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **20 November 2009**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and, in particular, how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on 20 November 2009. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 p.m. on 20 November 2009 will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party. Written evidence or comments must be limited to the scope of the proposed revisions identified in "underline/strike-out" text in the tentative NPDES permit and TSO. All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair

Anyone having questions regarding the tentative Orders should contact Mr. Ken Landau at (916) 464-4726 or klandau@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the proposed Orders and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/tentative\_orders/">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/tentative\_orders/</a>. Copies of these documents may also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/</a>. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml</a> or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who may be interested in this matter.

KENNETH D. LANDAU, Assistant Executive Officer

19 October 2009